

Memorandum

Date:

March 2, 1999

To:

CALFED Policy Group

From:

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Subject: Schedule of Information Going to Small Group and Policy Group

Summary

Policy Group requested a schedule of upcoming Program issues that require decisions, direction and assistance. The enclosed schedule covers the next three Policy Group Meetings. The enclosed table identifies actions on the left, upcoming meetings (SG=small group and PG=policy group) across the top and the type of information the Program will be seeking at various meetings.

Action: Information item.

Detailed Discussion

The following is an item by item discussion of each action in the table:

- The Program Managers will work with the agencies to ensure items identified in Phase II Report and 99 Work plan are moving forward. If an unresolvable concern is raised about any of the items, the Program will bring those to the attention of Small Group and if appropriate, Policy Group.
- Water Management Strategy will develop and seek Small Group and Policy Group concurrence on the range for water demands.
- A 404 MOA Outline will be presented to Small Group and Policy Group for concurrence on the items in the outline. It is anticipated that there will be revisions.

CALFED Agencies

California

The Resources Agency Department of Fish and Game Department of Water Resources California Environmental Protection Agency State Water Resources Control Board

Environmental Protection Agency Department of the Interior Fish and Wildlife Service Bureau of Reclamation U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

Department of Agriculture Natural Resources Conservation Service Department of Commerce National Marine Fisheries Service

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- Water Management Strategy will develop and seek Small Group and Policy Group concurrence on the water management objectives.
- The Administrative Draft EIS/EIR will be distributed to the agencies for comments on 4/23.
- The agencies will provide comments on the Administrative Draft to the Program in a series of meetings from 5/5 to 5/7. It is anticipated that some comments will raise issues requiring decisions by Small Group and perhaps Policy Group.
- In order to ensure there is enough time to prepare the documents, all of the technical work has to be completed by 5/14. Small Group and Policy Group will need to consider whether the ongoing work is adequate enough for a public draft and indicate that it is OK to go ahead and prepare the Program Plans.
- The documents will be complete by 5/21 if we are to meet the 6/25 deadline.
- The Program Plans and Impact analysis document will undergo internal review for 5 days. It is possible that issues might need to brought to Small Group and the Policy Group for resolution.
- The documents will go the printer on June 1. The Small Group and Policy Group will need to consider whether the ongoing work is adequate enough for a public draft and indicate that it is OK to go ahead and print.
- The documents will be distributed to the public 6/25. Small Group and Policy Group will need to consider whether the ongoing work is adequate enough for a public draft and indicate that it is OK to go ahead and distribute the documents.

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